Attorney Docket No. 21504

Remarks

The claims have been amended to be in correct form for U.S. practice.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance. An early action indication of such is earnestly solicited. However, if there are any issues that remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to expedite a resolution to such issues. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees or credit any overpayment of fees in connection with this communication to Deposit Account 19-4375.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter N. Lalos

Registration No. 19, 789

STEVENS, DAVIS, MILLER & MOSHER, LLP

1615 L Street, NW, Suite 850

Washington, DC 20036

Telephone: 202-785-0100 Facsimile: 202-785-0200

PNL:ER/cb

December 16, 2005